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 Secretary, John O'Connor, 736 E. Sixth st.

UNIONS AMERICANIZE SAYS CHAIRMAN WALSH

Washington.—Frank P. Walsh, chairman of the Committee on Industrial Relations, in a letter to the executive committee of the National Americanization Committee, recently organized in New York at the home of Mrs. Vincent Astor, calls upon that organization to recommend trade unionism as the greatest aid to aliens.

Included in the membership of the New York organization is Chairman Trumbull of the executive committee of the Chesapeake & Ohio railway. Mrs. Vincent Astor, Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt and President Sproule of the Southern Pacific Railroad Company.

Mr. Walsh urges the Americanization Committee "to use every agency of publicity and persuasion at your command" to impress upon newly-arrived immigrants the advantages of at once joining existing labor unions, or, where unions do not exist, of forming unions of their own.

"I need not point out to you the great value of the labor unions as an Americanizing influence," continues Chairman Walsh. "Leading economists and sociologists have done so often that the success of the union is as agencies of Americanization is an accepted fact. No other agency can compare with them in instilling into immigrants the spirit of America and developing in them the capacity for self-government. No other American institution so embodies the soul of America, the spirit of democracy."

"Nor is it necessary to point out the un-American and dangerous subversive, amounting to sedition, that exists in immigrant industrial populations employed by the great corporations that deny their employees the right to organize. As an Americanization Committee you will, of course, agree that no amount of welfare work, by which favors are handed down from above, can remove the menace to American institutions that lies in industrial populations that are economically subservient and that must depend for their well-being upon the generous exercise of arbitrary power by a superior class."

SWISS ARMY SYSTEM URGED.

Washington, D. C.—Senator Chamberlain, chairman of the Military Affairs Committee of the Senate, has introduced a bill applying the Swiss system of military training and organization to this country. It is stated that the bill has been worked out carefully by experts in the War Department.

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NO SCHOOLS, LOW WAGES IS RULE IN PORTO RICO

San Juan, Porto Rico.—"The island has had more than \$15,000,000 of profit, and alas! the poor children have no schools, even books for the schools," writes Santiago Iglesias, A. F. of L. organizer and editor of Justicia, official newspaper of Porto Rican trade unionists.

"The sugar corporations are actually owned by a body of absentee landlords of great influential men who look upon the workers merely as cheap labor and stand in the way of any effort to educate them or improve their status," continues Iglesias.

"These men are being helped by the government and by a large number of politicians and exploiters of the people."

"The island of Porto Rico is not now governed practically by the influential institutions of the United States but by a reactionary element of the American and Spanish type that looks upon the workingmen as inferior beings."

"There have been committed against the people social crimes that were unknown to have existed before."

"Daring onslaughts have been attempted and carried out against the aspirations of the people."

"The corporations have been given all the power that could be given to them to exploit the mass of laborers."

"While all sorts of plots and machinations are being contrived against the poor laboring people of the rural districts, they are being despoiled of their land, they are abjectly down-trodden, beaten, vilified and thrown into prison."

"We saw men working on the sugar plantations cutting cane, working and hauling 15 hours a day, for 40 to 45 cents wages. Several of the sugar refineries have a system of truck or company stores, or, as we labor men have designated them, 'plucking stores,' where the employers pay this 40 or 45 cents a day with little checks for 15 or 16 hours' work, which checks, of course, are redeemable only at the company's store."

LENNON OFFERS UNITY PLAN

Chicago.—John Lennon, treasurer of the American Federation of Labor, has again submitted an amalgamation plan for the consideration of members of the three international unions of journeymen tailors, garment workers and ladies' garment workers.

Writing in the official journal of the Journeymen Tailors' Union, the A. F. of L. treasurer declares that the statements that he is opposed to amalgamation are "deliberate and wilful misrepresentations of all my actions and writings on the subject."

"The evidence of my attitude on this question," he says, "is clearly shown by the fact that four times, on my recommendation, the question of amalgamation was legally and properly submitted to the members of the Journeymen Tailors' Union of America, and by them rejected."

For the fifth time this unionist presents a plan which includes the following features:

The three internationals create a permanent conference committee to meet at least four times each year to consider ways and means to jointly promote the interests of the interested workers.

That all questions must receive a unanimous vote, or, in other words, the representatives of one union can veto action.

In cities where only one international has a local, this local may admit to membership persons eligible to either of the three internationals.

Jurisdiction questions shall be referred to a sub-committee which shall endeavor by persuasive methods to settle the question.

During strikes or lockouts members of unions not directly involved shall not work at affected places.

The conference committee shall have power to extend the scope of its duties after the plan has been ratified by the three internationals.

Treasurer Lennon submits this plan in the hope that the discussion will develop a friendship and understanding necessary for the formation of one great and powerful international union "which would guarantee to each section of the trade that self-government that would protect the interest of all."

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SALOONS TO QUIT EARLY TO AVOID BIG RUSH

It's a sad story that must be unfolded, grievous at least to those congenial souls who depend upon the white aproned squad to dispense New Year's cheer.

For be it known that the saloon-keepers have virtually decided to nail the crepe upon the doors, douse the lights for the last time and sack the change in the cash registers on Wednesday of the last week in December, two whole days and nights before the time when the official water cart lands in the State of Iowa.

DESIRE TO AVOID CARNIVAL OF DRUNKENNESS.

It was stated officially this morning at the city hall that several liquor dealers had informed various members of the council that they would take this action in order to avoid the scenes of hilarity and drunkenness that were sure to be enacted by some of their more undesirable patrons if they kept open until the last minute. New Years falls upon Saturday, and it being a legal holiday, the final closing would occur Friday night in any event.

"I have made good money since I have been in business, and have conducted a clean place," said one liquor dealer. "I am not going to hazard any chance of ruining that reputation the last hour or the last day. Others may do as they choose, but I will quit a few days in advance."—Cedar Rapids Tribune.

LATHERS WANT MORE.

Topeka, Kan.—The Lathers' Union has prepared a new wage scale, to take effect March 1. These workers are asking for an increase of one-half cent per yard.

STORES TO CLOSE EARLY.

New Orleans, La.—Several of the larger stores in this city have announced an early closing policy. Trade unionists believe the practice is bound to become general.

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